

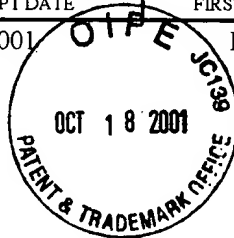


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In re Patent Application of:

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Filed: August 6, 2001

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Date: October 18, 2001

For: MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR POSITIVE ACTIVE MATERIAL FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY, NICKEL ELECTRODE USING THE SAME MATERIAL AND ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY USING THE SAME NICKEL ELECTRODE

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- ☐ Signed Rule 63 Declaration alone, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application alone, OR
☐ Signed Declaration plus attached copy of originally filed specification/drawings.
☒ **NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION FILING DATE GRANTED** form.
☐ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.
☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.
☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

Application Number
P. 2000-239698

Country
JAPAN

Day/Month/Year Filed
8 August 2000

respectively.

- ☒ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.
☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____, filed _____.
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.
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